CLAIMS

- 1. A method of normalizing the sleep/wake cycle of a mammal, said method comprising administering a therapeutically-effective amount of a compound selected from the group consisting of a cytidine-containing compound, a cytosine-containing compound, a uridine-containing compound, a creatine-containing compound, an adenosine-containing compound, and an adenosine-elevating compound to a mammal, thereby normalizing the sleep/wake cycle of said mammal.
- 2. The method of claim 1, wherein said administration reduces fatigue or tiredness; increases wakefulness, or improves the sleep quality of said mammal during the day.
- 3. The method of claim 1, wherein said cytidine-containing compound is cytidine.
- 4. The method of claim 1, wherein said cytidine-containing compound further comprises choline.
- 5. The method of claim 1, wherein said cytidine-containing compound is CDP-choline.
- 6. The method of claim 5, wherein said CDP-choline is administered orally.
- 7. The method of claim 1, wherein said cytidine-containing compound is CDP.

- 8. The method of claim 1, wherein said administering is chronic.
- 9. The method of claim 1, wherein said mammal is a human.
- 10. The method of claim 9, wherein said human is a child or adolescent.
- 11. The method of claim 9, wherein said human is an older adult.
- 12. A method of treating a sleep disorder, said method comprising administering to a mammal a therapeutically-effective amount of a compound selected from the group consisting of a cytidine-containing compound, a cytosine-containing compound, a uridine-containing compound, a creatine-containing compound, an adenosine-containing compound, and an adenosine-elevating compound.
- 13. The method of claim 12, wherein said sleep disorder is caused by a substance abuse disorder.
- 14. The method of claim 13, wherein said substance abuse disorder is alcohol, caffeine, or cocaine usage or dependence.
- 15. The method of claim 12, wherein said sleep disorder is insomnia, constructive or obstructive sleep apnea, restless leg syndrome, periodic limb movements, problem sleepiness, or narcolepsy.
- 16. The method of claim 12, wherein said cytidine-containing compound is CDP-choline.

- 17. A method of increasing cognitive function, said method comprising administering a therapeutically-effective amount of a compound selected from the group consisting of a cytidine-containing compound, a cytosine-containing compound, a uridine-containing compound, a creatine-containing compound, an adenosine-containing compound, and an adenosine-elevating compound to a mammal suffering from sleep deprivation, thereby increasing the cognitive functioning of said mammal.
- 18. The method of claim 17, wherein said cytidine-containing compound is CDP-choline.